



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH CITY OF BINGHAMTON

Teri Rennia, City Council President
Angela Holmes, City Clerk

MINUTES

City Council Business Meeting
Council Chambers, 38 Hawley Street, Binghamton, N.Y.
Wednesday March 19, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

Called to order by Council President Rennia at 6:34pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Rennia led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Jerry Motsavage, Joseph Mihalko, Teri Rennia, Lea Webb, Chris Papastrat, John Matzo, Bill Berg

Absent: None

Also in attendance: Angela Holmes, City Clerk; Jeremy Pelletier, Deputy City Clerk; Allison Sosa, 2nd Assistant Corporation Counsel

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes from the Business Meeting held on Wednesday March 5, 2014.

Moved by Motsavage, seconded by Webb.

Voice vote, none opposed.

Councilwoman Webb noted for the record that the Planning and Community Development Committee will hold several meetings in the upcoming months, the majority of which will be held to review the proposed Comprehensive Plan, Form-Based Code and Housing Market Study. Councilwoman Webb also noted that some regularly scheduled City Council Work Sessions and Business Meetings may be held earlier than usual, in order to accommodate these committee meetings. Unless otherwise noted, all meetings listed below will be held in the City Council Work Room, located through the City Clerk's Office on the first floor of City Hall.

Wednesday March 19, 2014	7:30pm	Planning and Community Development Meeting to discuss Park Outdoor Advertising's billboards. Meeting will take place immediately following the Business Meeting.
Monday March 24, 2014	1:30pm	Press conference regarding Comprehensive Plan, Form-Based Code and Housing Market Study (City Hall Art Gallery).
Monday March 31, 2014	5:00pm	Planning and Community Development Committee meeting to review Comprehensive Plan, Form-Based Code and Housing Market Study.
Wednesday April 2, 2014	5:00pm	Planning and Community Development Committee meeting to review Comprehensive Plan, Form-Based Code and Housing Market Study.
Monday April 7, 2014	5:00-7:00pm	City Council Work Session



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	7:00pm	Planning and Community Development Committee meeting to review Comprehensive Plan, Form-Based Code and Housing Market Study.
Wednesday April 9, 2014	5:00-6:00pm 6:00pm	City Council Business Meeting (City Council Chambers) Planning and Community Development Committee meeting to review Comprehensive Plan, Form-Based Code and Housing Market Study.
Monday April 21, 2014	5:00-7:00pm 7:00pm	City Council Work Session Planning and Community Development Committee meeting to review Comprehensive Plan, Form-Based Code and Housing Market Study.
Wednesday April 23, 2014	5:00-6:00pm 6:00pm	City Council Business Meeting (City Council Chambers) Planning and Community Development Committee meeting to review Comprehensive Plan, Form-Based Code and Housing Market Study.
Monday April 28, 2014	5:00pm	Planning and Community Development Committee meeting to review Comprehensive Plan, Form-Based Code and Housing Market Study.
Wednesday April 30, 2014	5:00pm	Planning and Community Development Committee meeting to review Comprehensive Plan, Form-Based Code and Housing Market Study.
Monday May 5, 2014	5:00-6:30pm 6:30pm	City Council Work Session Planning Commission public hearing on Comprehensive Plan, Form-Based Code and Housing Market Study
Wednesday May 7, 2014	6:30pm	City Council Business Meeting and public hearing regarding Comprehensive Plan, Form-Based Code and Housing Market Study (City Council Chambers)
Monday May 12, 2014	5:00-9:00pm	Joint Session with City Council and interested agencies to review the Comprehensive Plan, Form-Based Code and Housing Market Study. (Broome County Public Library, 185 Court Street)
Wednesday May 14, 2014	5:00pm	Joint Session with City Council and interested agencies to review the Comprehensive Plan, Form-Based Code and Housing Market Study. (Broome County Public Library, 185 Court Street)
Wednesday June 18, 2014	6:30pm	City Council Business Meeting and public hearing on Comprehensive Plan, Form-Based Code and Housing Market Study (City Council Chambers)
Wednesday July 9, 2014	6:30pm	City Council Business Meeting and anticipated vote on Comprehensive Plan, Form-Based Code and Housing Market Study (City Council Chambers)



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Councilwoman Berg noted for the record that the Employees Committee will meet on Monday April 7, 2014 at 4:00pm to review (1) RL 13-225, "A Resolution amending the PBA Agreement from 2012-2014 regarding the salary grid for police officers hired after January 1, 2013" (2) RL 14-24, "An Ordinance amending Section 124-17.B(1) of the Code of the City of Binghamton, regarding Annual Leave" and (3) death benefits for Police Officers and Fire Fighters dying in the line of duty. This meeting will be held immediately prior to the regularly scheduled Work Session, and will be held in the City Council Work Room, located through the City Clerk's Office on the first floor of City Hall.

RECOGNITIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Deputy City Clerk Jeremy Pelletier read one proclamation into the record, entitled "A Proclamation in honor of National Crime Victims' Rights Week".

SET PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Binghamton will hold a public hearing regarding "An Ordinance amending Chapter 410 of the Code of the City of Binghamton, regarding the sale of tobacco products near schools" on Wednesday April 9, 2014 at 5:00pm during the regularly scheduled City Council Business Meeting. This meeting will take place in the City Council Chambers.

Note: Notice of this public hearing will be published in the Press & Sun Bulletin on Friday April 4, 2014.

The City of Binghamton will hold two public hearings regarding "An Ordinance adopting a Comprehensive Plan for the City of Binghamton", one on Wednesday May 7, 2014 at 6:30pm, and the other on Wednesday June 18, 2014 at 6:30pm. Both public hearings will take place during regularly scheduled City Council Business Meetings, and will be held in the City Council Chambers.

Note: Notice of these public hearings will be published in the Press & Sun Bulletin on Friday May 2, 2014.

PUBLIC COMMENT/COMMUNICATIONS

Richard Jallon

FIRST READING LEGISLATION

Introductory Ordinance 14-11. Considered in Planning, Chair: Webb

An Ordinance amending Chapter 410, Article XI of the Code of the City of Binghamton, regarding sign regulations

Note: A public hearing was held at the Business Meeting held on Wednesday March 5, 2014.

1. Motion to approve legislation.
Moved by Berg, seconded by Webb.
2. **Point of Order.** As a point of order, Councilman Matzo requested permission to recuse himself from voting upon Introductory Ordinance 14-11, as he has a business interested in this matter.
Motion to allow Councilman Matzo to abstain from voting upon Introductory Ordinance 14-11.
Moved by Webb, seconded by Berg.
Voice vote, none opposed.
3. Motion to hold legislation.
Moved by Motsavage, seconded by Webb.
Legislation held.



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Introductory Ordinance 14-12. Considered in Finance, Chair: Berg

An Ordinance establishing and funding an expense line in the 2014 budget for the Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Commission

Motion to approve legislation. Moved by Motsavage, seconded by Webb.

Motion carried. Legislation adopted as Permanent Ordinance 14-11. (Vote 7-0)

Ayes: Motsavage, Mihalko, Rennia, Webb, Papastrat, Matzo, Berg

Nays: None

Introductory Resolution 14-14. Considered in Finance, Chair: Berg

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a professional services agreement with Delta Engineers for the design of the Ross Park Amphitheater

Motion to approve legislation. Moved by Berg, seconded by Webb.

Motion carried. Legislation adopted as Permanent Resolution 14-14. (Vote 7-0)

Ayes: Motsavage, Mihalko, Rennia, Webb, Papastrat, Matzo, Berg

Nays: None

Introductory Resolution 14-15. Considered in Public Works/Parks and Recreation, Chair: Motsavage

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into supplemental agreement No.3 with NYSDOT for Front Street Reconstruction at Clinton Street (PIN 9752.74) for construction, construction supervision, and construction inspection services

Motion to approve legislation. Moved by Motsavage, seconded by Webb.

Motion carried. Legislation adopted as Permanent Resolution 14-15. (Vote 7-0)

Ayes: Motsavage, Mihalko, Rennia, Webb, Papastrat, Matzo, Berg

Nays: None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL

Berg, Motsavage, Mihalko, Webb, Papastrat, Matzo, Rennia

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:07pm.

Moved by Webb, seconded by Papastrat.

Voice vote, none opposed.